On November 12, 1932, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed.

R. G. Tugwell, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

## 20392. Misbranding of Ulcicur. U.S. v. 17 Bottles of Ulcicur. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. no. 28407. Sample no. 6734-A.)

Examination of the drug preparation Ulcicur disclosed that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing

certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed in the labeling.

On June 21, 1932, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 17 bottles of the said Ulcicur, remaining in the original packages at St. Louis, Mo., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce, on or about February 9, 1932, by the Ulcicur Co., from Chicago, Ill., to St. Louis, Mo., and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act as amended.

Examination of a sample of the article by this Department showed that it consisted of a liquid and a powder. The liquid was composed of extracts of plant drugs including a bitter drug, glycerin, alcohol, sugar, and water. The

powder consisted of bismuth subnitrate.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that numerous statements and testimonials appearing in the labeling regarding the effectiveness of the article in the treatment of stomach ulcers, duodenal ulcers, gastritis, acidity, stomach troubles induced or aggregated by too great acidity, pain and tenderness over the upper region of the stomach, gnawing or burning sensation which is particularly felt when the stomach is empty, cramps, doubling up, tearing or knife-like pains, inflamed condition of the abdominal lining around the ulcer, vomiting of blood, passing of blood by the bowel, excess of hydrochloric acid, sour or acid taste, prevalent bad breath, heartburn, belching, bloating, loss of appetite, nervousness, irritability, lowering of vitality, headaches, disturbed sleep and rest, periods of comfort between periods of discomfort and distress, hemorrhage (bleeding), anaemia, loss of weight, perforation, intense pain in the upper part of the abdomen with rigidity of its walls, faintness, rapid wiry pulse, pinched and anxious expression, distended abdomen, hunger pain, tenderness in the right abdominal region, indigestion, dyspepsia, flatulence due to hyperacidity, upset stomach from alcoholic beverages, other stomach troubles caused by faulty diet or hyperacidity, acidosis, chronic gastritis or catarrh of the stomach, hyperacidity called by many acute indigestion or dyspepsia, other stomach disorders, and disabled stomach, were false and fraudulent.

On November 14, 1932, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

R. G. TUGWELL, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

## 20393. Misbranding of O-Quaka. U.S. v. 63 Dozen Bottles of O-Quaka. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. no. 27699. I.S.no. 44457. S.no. 5778.)

Examination of the drug product involved in this case disclosed that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed on the bottle labels. The name of the article and the ingredients listed on the bottle label, all vegetable substances, conveyed the impression that the product was an Indian remedy of vegetable origin, whereas one of the important ingredients was Epsom salt, a mineral drug.

On February 2, 1932, the United States attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 63 dozen bottles of O-Quaka, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Fort Smith, Ark., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce, in part on or about June 15, and in part on or about June 26, 1931, by the Sigler Drug Co., from Springfield, Mo., to Fort Smith, Ark., and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act as amended. The article was labeled in part: "O-Quaka \* \* \* Manu-